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HYDROXYPHENYL) ETHYL]
THIO} -3-4-(2-{4-
(METHYLSULFONYL) OXY
PHENYL PROPANOIC ACID AND
THEIR USE IN MEDICINE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced continuation application on the merits, the Examiner is respectfully requested to make note of the appropriate title.

Applicants would like to point out that the published PCT application contained an incorrect title, and the correct title is noted above, and on the Declaration appended hereto.

EXCEPT for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Director is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310. This paragraph is intended to be a CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

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